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PRODUCTS BY MEANS OF POURING IN FOUNDRY EARTH  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.